officer assumes charge of a department, general transfers, or, at any rate, rearrangements and reshuffling of the subordinates in the head office should happen?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Government are not aware of any such rule or convention.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): Have the Government, at any time, instructed the Anchal Superintendent to follow the principle of communal preference in the matter of transfers?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): No.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*) Has the member perused the statement now laid on the table?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): Does he note any frequency of transfers in regard to any particular set of clerks?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): No.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): How many transfers have taken place since the new Superintendent took charge of the Anchal Department?

PRESIDENT: The total number?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): Yes.

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): I cannot hear the answer, Sir.

PRESIDENT: Nor can I.

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

PRESIDENT: A body like yours ought to have a better voice, Mr. Thommen (*Laughter.*)

Promotion of Anchal subordinates.

104. *MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): Will the Government be pleased to state the names of the subordinates of the Anchal Department who were given promotions and the nature of the vacancies that arose for promotions, since the present Anchal Superintendent took charge of the office?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): A statement giving the required information is laid on the table.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): On the presumption that the statement furnished includes the name of one Mr. Koshy, may I know whether this, Mr. Koshy, is the senior most of the clerks in the department?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): May I know whether, prior to the creation of this vacancy for Mr. Koshy, the Superintendent had not issued an order to the effect that a certain clerk in his office would be given the next promotion when vacancy next arises?

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MR. T. C. THOMMN (*Secretary to Government*) : Government have no information.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*) : May I ask whether when once a clerk is declared to be senior, he will not be senior always ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : I suppose so.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*) : How many vacancies have arisen in the superior service in this department since the present Superintendent took charge of it ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*) : How many of such vacancies were caused by the degradation of existing incumbents?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*) : Who were the persons who were promoted to these vacancies ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice. (*Laughter.*)

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*) : Who were the real claimants ?

PRESIDENT : You have your common answer, Mr. Thommen. (*Laughter.*)

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*) : Did anybody put in any complaint about these promotions ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : Unless the member refers to any particular vacancy, it is not possible for me to answer,

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*) : Has there been any complaint about the recent promotions to some of the superior vacancies in the Anchal Department ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : There were some complaints.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): Who were the complainants ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*) : May I know whether the person who preferred a complaint was transferred to Muvattupuzha ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

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MR. T. K. VELU PILAI (*Trivandrum-Urban*): May I know whether the Anchal Superintendent submits to Government monthly or quarterly statements of transfers, promotions, degradations, etc., in his department?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): He submits quarterly statements.

MR. T. K. VELU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Urban*): Do the Government scrutinise such statements?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

Transfer of lady clerks in the Anchal Department.

105. ***MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara II*): Will the Government be pleased to state the names of lady clerks of the Anchal Department who were sent out to the Anchal Offices and who were transferred to the Anchal Superintendent's office since the present Anchal Superintendent took charge, with their qualification, present pay and date of first entry into the department?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): A * statement containing the information required is laid on the table.

Lady clerks in the Anchal Department.

106. ***MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara II*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a list showing the names of lady clerks, permanent as well as acting, of the Anchal Department, with their qualifications, date of first entry in the department, length of service, present pay and reasons, if any, for the inequality in the pay in each case?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): The † list is laid on the table.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): May I know the special reason for Miss Mary John alone getting more pay than others with better qualification and more service?

PRESIDENT: What is the question? May I hear it?

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): May I know the superior nature of the claims of Miss Mary John who is getting higher pay than others who have better qualification and longer service?

PRESIDENT: You have got your usual type of answer, Mr. Thommen (*Laughter*).

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): May I know the name of the lady graduate who first joined duty as clerk?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): Is there any other lady graduate in the department?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): May I know the number of non-graduate ladies who have been appointed as clerks?

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*Vide Appendix IV.

†*Vide* Appendix V.

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Appendix III.

(*Vide* Question No. 104.)

List showing the names of persons who were given promotions in the Anchal Department.

No.	Name.	Pay before promotion.	Pay after promotion.	Nature of the vacancy which arose for promotion.
1	K. V. Koshy B. A.	25	30	Degradation of K. Janardhana Iyer clerk on Rs. 30 Kottarakara to Rs. 25 with effect from 10-8-109.
2	K. T. Thomas	20	25	Degradation of Krishnan Asari, Anchal Master, Kaduthuruthy from Rs. 25 to 20 with effect from 21-8-109.
3	S. Narayana Rao B. A.	40	50	
4	Chidambarathanu Pillai	35	40	In the retirement vacancy of T. K. Narayana Pillai, clerk on Rs. 50 Anchal Superintendent's Office with effect from 15-10-109.
5	K. E. Eapen	30	35	
6	N. Raghavan Pillai B.A.	25	30	
7	V. J. Joseph	S. P. T. 20	S. P T. 25	
8	Kalyanikutty Amma	..	S. P. T. 25	No substantive appointment. Extraordinary leave vacancy of N. S. Gopala Pillai, Clerk on Rs. 25.

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